

PATRIOTS FREE LARGE PART OF PHILIPPINES

\*\*\*Dec 16--The new American landings on Mindoro Island have revealed, for the first time, a daring offensive that has been carried on by patriot guerrillas throughout the entire Philippine Archipelago. At the present time the southern half of Negros Island is in patriot hands and vital airfields and coastal points have been seized on Mindanao, Panay, Negros and the Sulu Archipelago. Extremely heavy casualties have been inflicted on Japanese garrisons in the Visayas and his lines of communications severely disrupted.

On Mindanao, under the command of a Filipino General, the guerrillas have actually liberated several provinces and invested air fields and coastal points.

A number of important towns and several enemy airfields have fallen to the Filipino forces on Panay and they are maintaining heavy pressure on scattered enemy positions there.

The Japanese on Southern Negros have been completely cut off and are confined to one small pocket of the island. East coast towns and airfields are also controlled by the patriots.

Japanese forces on Cebu are retreating from the southern part of the island to the central sector.

While the new American landing on Mindoro definitely cuts in two the Japanese position on the Philippines, the widespread pressure that is being maintained against his remnants by the patriot forces is speeding the final American victory.

A Navy Department announcement highly praised the patriot forces for their assistance in the Philippine campaign. The announcement revealed that these patriots opened the way for the

American landings on Dinigat Island, which guards the sea approaches to Leyte. When the American Rangers landed there, only thirty Japs were left on the Island.

NAVY CARRIER FORCE SCORES GREAT VICTORY.

\*\*\*Dec 16--In a two day assault that was coordinated with the Mindoro landings, United States Navy carrier based aircraft destroyed at least 224 enemy aircraft on Luzon. This figure is in addition to the previously announced 91 Jap planes that were demolished in the first day of the air offensive.

These crippling blows on Japanese air power were carried out simultaneously with the landing operations on Mindoro Island. American newspaper correspondents reported that the carrier planes striking at Luzon maintained continuous aerial coverage over that island during the entire assault phase of the Mindoro landings. This air support was made by day and night patrols and it is the first time in any amphibious operation that carrier forces have maintained such continuous coverage. At last there was no need for the doughfeet to gripe: "Where's all that air support?"

While day patrols were still circling the airfields over Luzon, night fighters took off from their carriers to make further strikes at Jap fields and prevent their planes from getting off the ground.

The first wave of planes striking at the air strips had the advantage of low hanging clouds for concealment. There was slight enemy opposition early in the day, but later on some interceptors did rise to meet our formations.

The desired effect was achieved. Jap based planes on Luzon were so completely battered from the Air by our carrier based aircraft, that they were not able to interfere with American landing operations on Mindoro or give any support to their own troops.

In addition to these heavy blows, the carrier planes cause considerable damage to enemy shipping during the two day period. In the Manila and Subic Bay area two Jap destroyers were sent to the bottom and several freighters and tankers sunk.



"THE FOXHOLE'S FINEST"

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YANKS HIT MINDORO!

\*\*\*Dec 15--The Yanks have landed on Mindoro Island (See Map) in the Philippines. A force of U. S. Army went ashore on the southwest coast today against virtually no opposition. The Japanese were taken unawares in spite of their sporadic attacks on the American convoy that was bound for Mindoro.

The force landed at 0745 and within three hours were 4000 yards inland.

The leaders of the operation were Major General Dunkel (who was stationed at Camp Adair while the Deadeyes were there) for Army and Admiral Scruble for Navy.

Units engaged in the operation were not disclosed as the first dispatches were released over the air.

Mindoro is a major island of the Philippines. It is just south of Luzon, the main island of the group. Gen MacArthur said "This operation has driven a corridor from east to west through the Philippines, which is now definitely cut in two and will enable us to dominate sea and air routes which reach to the China coast".

Radio Tokyo announced the attack and gave premature jibberish that the convoy was headed for Luzon itself.

One of the advantages of taking Mindoro is that the Island has suitable terrain for building landing strips for planes. There are no military strips there at present but there is at least one old civilian strip. Further details of the operation will be published as they become available.



PHILIPPINE ARMY FIGHTS ON PANAY, NEGROS, CEBU, MINDANAO. (See story on page three.)

96th Box Score of Good Japs.	
Previous total.....	6912
December 15.....	54
GRAND TOTAL.....	6966

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DEADEYE DISPATCH

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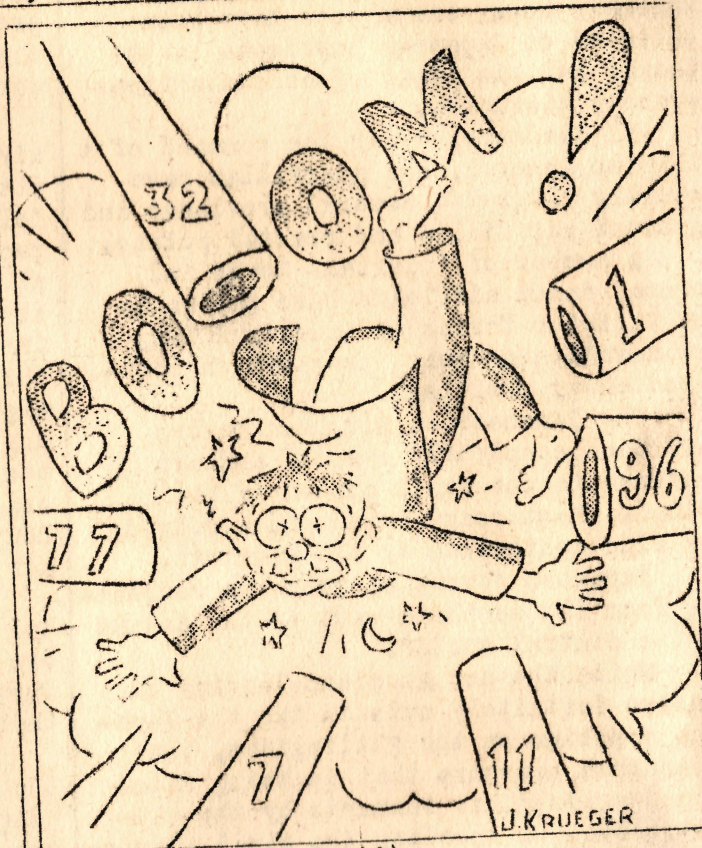
GENTLEMEN OF THE PRESS

Now we think the Air Corps' dashing  
Just too lovely...so offote  
And when silver wings go flashing  
Bud, that's glamour hard to beat  
And when they've flown a foray  
There's one battle that is won.  
At least, so goes the story  
In the Chicago Daily Sun.

We are dazzled by the Brave Marines  
Their hairy chests are dandy  
And who's to say their battle schemes  
Wait till a photographer's handy  
And now that they have won the war  
Despite the worst conditions  
We're happy that they did it for  
The five-star, late editions.

The Seabee's are a hearty bunch  
Who seek to avoid duplicity  
By going several directions at once  
To keep up with their own publicity  
And now that they have paved the way  
Right thru to the Japanese coast.  
We're dying to see what the feature  
will say  
In the Saturday Evening Post.

But when the bitter fighting's done  
And the nation seeks conversion  
You'll bear us if we offer one  
More slightly different version  
For someday when for rape and flood  
The front page is quite free  
They MAY find in some foreign mud  
The bastard Infantry.



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applications for courses, and the I & E (officer of that unit says 25 more are preparing their forms now.

The 96th Division forges ahead in the new field even as she continues to kill Japs.

"I'm cutting quite a figure",  
said the chorus girl as she sat on  
a broken bottle.

HODGE'S 1ST ARMY PUSHES AHEAD

The spotlight on the activity of the Western Front again centers on the American 1st Army sector southwest of Cologne. General Courtney Hodge's men have made a two mile advance on a broad front in the Hurtgen Forest area below Duren, capturing 3 enemy villages. At one point they have reached the outskirts of Duren, last stronghold between them and Cologne. Driving the enemy across the flooded Roer River, the American 1st extended it's salient to 45 miles in length.

To the north flank of the 1st Army the American 9th under General Simpson cleared out two Nazi strongpoints west of tightly defended Duren. For a change the Allies in this sector had bright sunny weather to aid them in their drive on Cologne. Close liaison between American Infantrymen and Allied fighter planes helped to drive the Nazis from their trenches and bunkers. Virtually the only Germans left on the west bank of the Roer are entrenched in the tiny village of Sheperman, six miles north of Duren. On the southern end of the 450 mile front, General Patch's 7th pushed ahead 3 miles in northern Alsace thru rolling terrain bristling with forts and pillboxes. Swift advances by the 7th brought them to within ten miles of the large Rhineland city of Karlsruhe. At one point the fleet U S 7th advanced 7 miles in 10 hours. Much of the Siegfried fortifications here are now under short range of American artillery.

The rugged American 3rd Army under General Patton made advances in the Saar sector which were measured in yards. One mile north of Saarlautern, the 3rd Army shouldered it's way through Saterle, while other units broke repeated Nazi counterattacks 3 miles north at Dillingon. Moving across the German frontier at a new point, General Patton's doughboys spanned the flooded Blics River to capture the town of Hadkirchen.

At the northern tip of the German-Swiss border, the French 1st Army under General Tassigny seized several more

towns west of Mulhouse, and cleared Nazi resistance pockets on the west bank of the Rhine.

BAD WEATHER HALTS AIR BLOWS OVER GERMANY

\*\*\* 16 Dec--Inclement winter weather on Thursday temporarily halted Allied planes which swelled the air over Germany, 18,000 strong during the previous two days. The latest objective of Allied bombers are Germany's oil refineries, rail yards, armament plants, and steel centers. It is believed that the reason German planes rarely take to the air in force these days is an acute shortage of gasoline.

KING'S BATTALION ENROLLS  
IN USAFI BY DROVES2 Days in Reserve Brings 276 Applications

\*\*\*Two days after the unit went into reserve and materials were available on the Education Program, Major King's 1st Bn, 383rd Infantry, the Battalion I & E Office was swamped with would be scholars. Partial returns as tabulated by I & E O, Lt Ed Sarah, show that 185 men are going to try their hand at high school courses, ranging from plumbing to railroad traffic management. Ninety-one men want to begin or continue college careers. Lt. Sarah canvassed the battalion concerning classes to be conducted by local talent, and again received enthusiastic response. Both Officers and onlisted men volunteered their services as teachers. Most popular classes are English, Geometry, Chemistry and Book-keeping. Fifteen men are going to take advantage of the opportunity to learn how to write. Major King's men want to prove that they are the best informed soldiers as well as the best fighters America has sent forth to war.

This battalion is only one of the units to show interest in the Educational Program. Company "B" of the 321st Engineers, even while continuing their normal combat duties, has already mailed 20

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DEADEYE DISPATCH

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## MORE ON G.I. BILL OF RIGHTS

Since the publication of the outline of the G.I. Bill of Rights in THE DEADEYE many questions have come into the minds of far-sighted doughfoot. Today we give you a comprehensible interpretation of the educational features of the much misquoted measure--Public Law 346 as told by ANS. Later we will take up loans and unemployment compensation.

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There is a widespread belief that men past 25 are out of luck for educational benefits under Title II of the bill, or that you have to be almost as smart as the ASTP boys in order to get more than one year's schooling out of the deal. This is so much bunk.

As is stipulated for most other GI bill benefits, anyone who has served at least 90 days since the national emergency was declared September 16, 1940 (or was discharged with injuries after less than three months) and whose discharge was granted "under conditions other than dishonorable," is entitled to at least one year's schooling on the Government. As one authority has said, "General Eisenhower could study the piccolo for one year, if he wished."

The 25-year-old angle is this: If you were under 25 when you entered the service, you may extend that year's education or training to a period of time equal to your time in uniform (maximum, four years) just by doing passable work in your studies -- passable in the school you are attending. But if you were 25 or older when you joined up, you can get the extra three years or portion thereof only by proving that your education was "impeded, delayed, interrupted or interfered with" as a result of military service. Thus a 36-year-old candidate for

a medical or law degree, who had to suspend his study when drafted, would be just as eligible for continued schooling as a boy half his age. (And the Veterans Administration predicts that interpretations will be liberal in favor of the applicant.)

Exactly what financial help is offered students by the GI Bill? Well, everyone who wants it--at least a million men, experts expect--will be assured of tuition, books and incidental fees up to \$500 a year at any accredited institution he may choose to attend. While in school he will receive \$50 a month subsistence, with an added \$25 if he has dependents--a flat \$25, not \$25 for each dependent. Since this will likely be insufficient to live on, the student may take a part-time job to help things along without necessarily forfeiting all of his subsistence allowance. Full-time work, however, probably would jeopardize his eligibility for continued payments.

The "year" of schooling will be based upon requirements of the college or vocational school selected; in many, it will be for a given number of units, or credits. Assuming this to be 32 (an average number two actual calendar years, taking 16 units at a time and holding a job on the side. This is satisfactory as regards tuition and fees, but will probably cancel his subsistence allowance.

Choice of schools is not limited to the vicinity of the veteran's home; he may even decide on one outside the United States, if it's approved by the Veterans Administration. Or he may expend his tuition fees with a private

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17 December 1944.

## 77th DIVISION PUSHES NORTH

\*\*\*Dec 16--The Japanese were resisting bitterly as the 77th Division squeezed them over tighter into the northwest pocket of the island. Yesterday, the Japs lost their main supply depot a mile north of Ormoc. It was stocked mainly with food and ammunition.

Long range artillery pounding the onomy ceaselessly, gave him no peace even in his narrowing zones of movement. From the northern sector, the X Corps maintained steady pressure driving nearer to a juncture with the southern forces.

A breakdown of Japanese casualties in 55 days of fighting revealed that they have lost 82,000 troops. These include 33,800 counted onomy dead who were abandoned on ground captured by American troops. An additional 18,500 onomy were either killed or wounded while an estimated 30,000 were eliminated when they went down with ships trying to reinforce the island. Japanese naval losses were staggering with the bulk of the personnel who manned the reinforcing convoys never reaching the shore.

## CZECHOSLOVAKIA POSSIBLE SITE FOR WORLD PEACE ORGANIZATION

\*\*\*Dec 16--President Roosevelt Wednesday nominated Laurence Steinhardt, now ambassador to Turkey, to be ambassador to the Czech government in exile, now operating from London. Steinhardt, a front rank diplomat, was ambassador to Russia before going to Turkey two years ago. Associated Press pointed out that Czechoslovakia is a post of prime importance because Prague is the center of the rest-less Balkans and has been mentioned as a possible site for a future world peace organization.

## BUDAPEST RESISTANCE STIFFENS

\*\*\*Dec 16--On the eastern front German resistance around Budapest has suddenly stiffened. While Red Army forces pound the Nazis at the suburbs of Budapest, unconfirmed reports say that unchecked

fires are sweeping the city. Casualties are admitted both by Moscow and Berlin to be high on both sides. Moscow claims that the Germans are rushing up reinforcements to defend the besieged capital. Twelve miles above Budapest, the Russians have captured a rail center, which now cuts all rail lines leading into Budapest from three sides.

In their drive towards the Slovak border, the Red Army captured 12 more towns and took 1700 Nazi prisoners. In Tuesday's action, the Soviets destroyed 29 German tanks and 11 planes.

## OUR FIGHTING NAVY

\*\*\*Dec 16--Admiral Ramsey, Chief of the Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics, recently spoke before a house Committee giving facts and figures on our fighting Navy. He said that in the past four years, fighter aircraft operating with the Fleet had increased their potential speed by more than 100 miles an hour; they have also doubled their range and tripled their effective armament. Experimental fighter planes being developed range from high-flying interceptors to multi-engined fighters armed with machine guns and cannon.

In a plaudit of rockets, Admiral Ramsey said that a four and one half beach rocket carried the punch of a 105 mm shell. Like making a Goliath out of a David, the total number of salvos from an LCT equals two and half times the power of a battleship of the New Jersey class.

In the last five years, the United States Navy has had a twenty-five fold expansion. In fact, several individual states now contribute in one month more men to the Navy than were in the entire Navy during 1939.

He was telling about a nudist party: "I rang the bell and out came the nudist butler." "How did you know it twas the butler?" "Well, it couldn't have been the maid."

GI Bill of Rights.(Cont'd from page one)

tutor--again on approval. Courses, too, are optional; they may be purely academic or straight vocational. The Bill's sponsors believe that many veterans--older men in particular--will want to avail themselves of "refresher" courses in the particular line of work they left for war service, and to learn of technical developments which may have occurred during their absence.

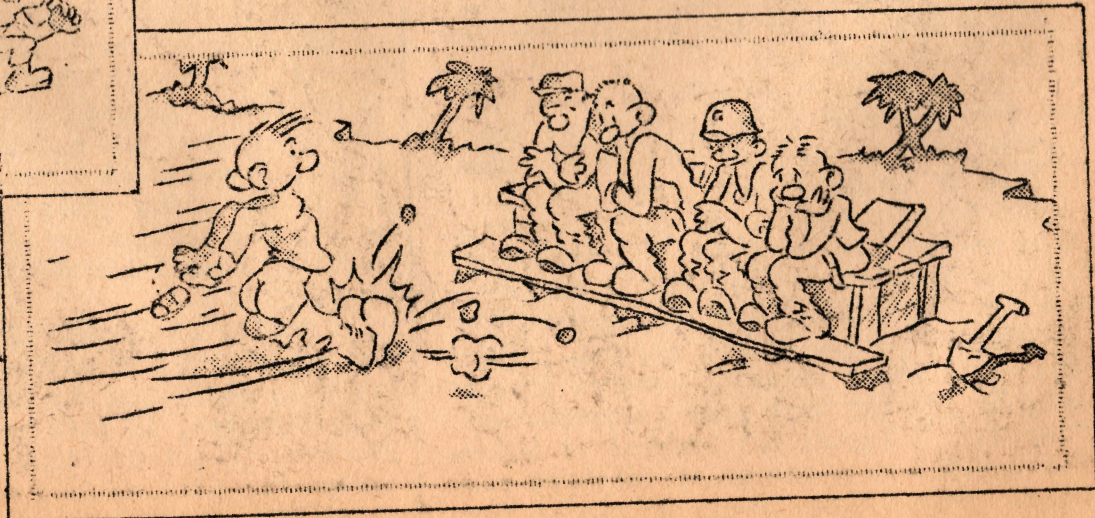
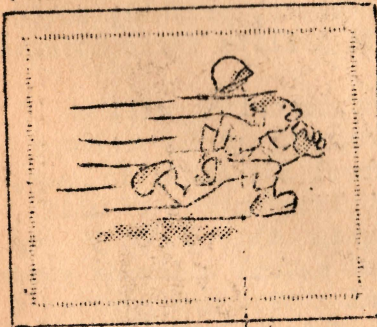
The GI bill's education benefits are not to be confused with even more liberal benefits provided in the Vocational Rehabilitation law, for wounded veterans whose injuries prevent resumption of their old jobs. The convalescent has his choice of studying under either the Rights of Rehabilitation plan whichever more closely meets his needs. Under the latter law, however, his studies must follow rehabilitation lines recommended for his greatest probable benefit, and are therefore more limited. But the law provides more generous living allowances than the GI bill--\$92 a month, with extra for dependents--places no limitation on the amount of tuition and fees, and covers travel costs to the college or school adjudged most suitable for the man's needs.

There is no connection between the GI bill benefits and the previously approved mustering-out-pay.

SPORTS CHATTER

(ANS)--A southern California group, mostly movie men, are planning a harness racing track for the San Fernando Valley. ---When Buddy Bomar, Chicago crack bowler recently volunteered to show a novice how to pick a ball off the rack, the rookie promptly dropped one on Buddy's foot, breaking a toe.---Tommy Richardson has been named president of the Eastern Baseball League for his fifth straight term.---Mexico didn't accept price raises in sporting spectacles with the grace that the American public did. When the Mexico City bull fight season started, the spectators entered the arena bearing signs that read, "prices have gone up. We are more exacting now. We want more fighting." When arena officials attempted to confiscate the signs, the public just about wrecked the ring, so the law gave back the signs and left the action up to the matadors.---Bob Dills, captain of the Valparaiso, Indiana basketball team, again claims to be the busiest man in sports. Dills will act as assistant coach this year in addition to household duties, studies, a full-time war plant job and basketball playing, all in a 24-hour day.---Murray Dickson and George Munger of the Cards, recently were in the same foxhole in France. And those weren't base hits that we whistling overhead either.

"LIFE'S DARKEST MOMENT!"



by ABBERCROMBIE ECO382

NEW CARRIER STRIKE ON MANILA

\*\*\*Dec 16--From Washington, the Navy Department announced that carrier based planes made another destructive attack on Japanese-held Luzon last Wednesday. The Manila area again received heavy punishment. Airfields near the city were heavily bombed and 91 Japanese aircraft destroyed. The communique did not state how many of this number were hit on the ground but, if this raid resembled previous ones, it came as a swift surprise. The surprise element has always accounted for a large number of Jap planes blown up and set afire on their landing fields.

Naval Headquarters at Pearl Harbor issued a statement that foretold the war's future in the Pacific and probably caused the Japanese High Command as much worry as the B-29 raids. Admiral Chester Nimitz announced that he will soon move his headquarters to an advance base in the Pacific to direct future offensives. While Japanese military power still staggered from heavy losses in the Leyte Campaign, a formidable force was moving against her from another direction.

B-29's OVER THAILAND IN FORCE

\*\*\*Dec 16--The Japanese again felt the power of the super-fortresses. This time 100 of the India based sky giants dropped 1,000 tons of bombs on undisclosed targets in Thailand. 20th Air Force Headquarters in Washington gave no further details on the raid.

Thailand targets comprised the first missions of the 20th Air Force from its bases in India. On June 5th, 1944, Bangkok, the capital was bombed. The city received another pounding on November 27th.

Jittery Tokyo revealed that a few super-fortresses have flown over the city and dropped explosives since the devastating raid on Nagoya this week. Tokyo residents had a right to be uneasy. When the B-29's were not actually blasting their industrial districts, small formations were hovering overhead and preparing for future bombings.

CHINESE STILL ON OFFENSIVE

\*\*\* 16 Dec--The counterdrive of the Chinese Army in south central China was still moving ahead. Chungking troops have penetrated 20 miles into Kwangsi Province in pursuit of Japanese forces which they drove from Kweichow Province. The immediate threat to Kweiyang, capital of Kweichow Province, has now been eliminated and the Chinese troops are now 15 miles from Hochih. Supporting American fighter planes attacked railroad and ground installations in northern and central China.

The Japs were retreating toward Wanting where the Burma Road cuts into China. The retreat was preceded by fierce artillery duels and the Japs pulled out when the Allied concentrations got too hot for them.

Fifty miles to the northeast, Chinese forces advanced in the Bhamo area. Elsewhere in Burma, British troops captured several small Jap-occupied villages and east African troops entered a village southwest of Kalawa.

TODAY'S TAKE-A-JAP LESSON

\*\*\* Only six phrases in Japanese are needed to bring a prisoner in. They are, in proper sequence, "Surrender", "Lay down your arms", "Raise your hands and come out", "Take off your clothes", "March", and "Halt". We publish the Japanese for these phrases. Learn one phrase a day and keep saying it over and over very fast so you can say it smoothly. Pronounce the Japanese just as it is phonetically written.

Today's Lesson	
"HALT".....	TCMAREH!
Previous Lessons	
"SURRENDER".....	KOH SAHN SEH
"LAY DOWN YOUR ARMS".....	BOC KEE CH CH KEH
"RAISE YOUR HANDS AND COME OUT".....	TEH O ANGHTEH DEHTEH KOI
"TAKE OFF YOUR CLOTHES".....	F'KOC O NOO GEH
"MARCH".....	SCOS MEH

Yes! Yes!  
The thing that the soldier misses most in the army is civilian life.

## THE LAMENT OF THE LOST BATTALION

The doughboy is tough, and talks  
mighty rough  
But let me tell you this story--  
While he does the shirking, we do  
the working  
And he takes all the glory,  
(We're tired, we're hungry, we're dying  
of thirst--Nobody loves the 921st.)

While we're supporting, a native  
was reporting  
One lone Jap up a tree  
So we fired away for Colonel Ed May  
Concentration two three three  
(No wonder the S-5 with a headache is  
cursed--Nobody loves the 921st.)

The order came down, received with  
a frown  
"Ten volleys!" said Colonel May  
Though the guns were mired and the  
cannoners tired  
The concentration went out--"On the way!"  
(The Redlegs cursed at the sound of the  
burst--Nobody loves the 921st.)

The doughboys like moles, dug down in  
their holes;  
The Battalion was pinned to the ground,  
The Jap in the tree chortled with glee  
At the chaos he'd caused all 'round  
(The tree was riddled with burst after  
burst--Still nobody loves the 921st.)

We fired like hell, shell after shell  
At thirty three dollars apiece,  
The Jap thought it funny to spend so much  
money  
For he'd never heard of Lend-Lease!  
(The we're ass-deep in mud immersed  
Nobody loves the 921st.)

"It sounds to me like one battery,  
Why don't you shoot the battalion?"  
So we do our tricks for the regiment's  
six  
But we got no little medallion,  
(Bad as this sounds, it's still not  
the worst--'Cause nobody loves the 921st.)

Now, we realize that the doughs  
specialize  
In killing and maiming our foe  
But if we do our share, why should  
they care  
And start to puff and blow?  
(For our exploits we're not reimbursed  
--They don't give a damn for the 921st.)

The S-2 did cry--his battalions  
should try--  
"Bring in some live Japs," says he.  
In spite of his talking, did they  
bring them in walking?  
Hell NO! 'Twas the Artillery.  
(But our job to the winds he dispersed  
Nobody loves the 921st.)

To continue the story of them stealing  
the glory  
Is the matter of the captured Japs.  
For one sunny day our Battery "A"  
Dumped three in Regiment's laps.  
(This incident showed the doughs at  
their worst--No one knows loves the  
921st.)

Lt. Paul Shaler, traipsed down as  
the jailer  
To the catacombs of Division CP  
And there he stated--and elaborated  
On the night of the Three-eight-three.  
(That's the real reason for this bitter  
outburst that nobody loves the 921st.)

For this crummy action we demand a  
retraction  
Immediately, post haste.....  
For Sgt Dan Meyer has aroused our ire  
And bitter revenge we'll taste  
(This guy Meyer colors stories like  
Hearst, even against the 921st.)

This is all in fun--with no harm done  
For we've yet to bracket your CP  
We'd look like hell with our cannon and  
shell  
Without the Three-eight-three.  
(The things may go from worse to worst  
We know you give a shit for the 921st.)

## "A NIGHT AT THE COCONUT GROVE"

-by Pvt's Olchowski &amp; Archibald

The other evening we were among the  
many guests who witnessed grand opening  
of the Dagani Coconut Grove.

We arrived at approximately 1900,  
and after dismounting from our faithful  
caribao, walked under the marquee of  
woven coconut palms and up to the swing-  
ing bamboo doors. Just inside the en-  
trance a beautifully suntanned hat check  
girl took our helmets and entrenching  
tools.

Upon entering the main dining room,  
a large roofless air raid shelter, the  
walls of which were decorated with  
multi-colored sandbags, we plodded  
through the mud and made our way toward  
the tables. Several attractive young  
waitresses passed by balancing GI cans  
upon their heads.

Pulling up some nearby water cans,  
we sat down and began scanning the menu.

This menu, which was printed on the  
backs of some Japanese 100 peso bills,  
featured such delicacies as Centipede

Scup, Fillet of Caribao and for dessert  
the island's newest craze, Atabrino  
Jollo.

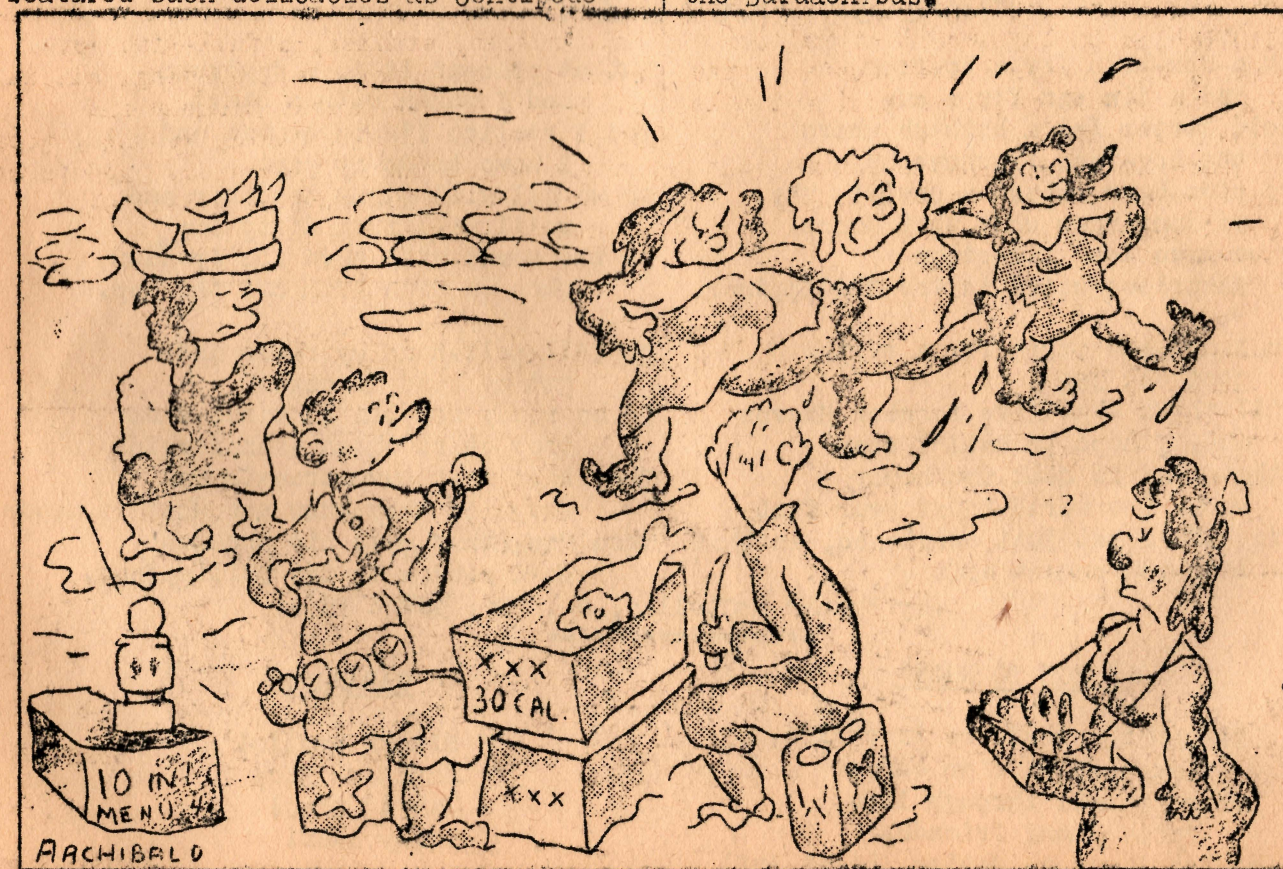
The crowning touch to the meal was  
the Tuba which was served in shining O  
ration cans.

Shortly after the meal the Colerian  
Lanterns were dimmed and silence fell  
upon the room. The only sound was the  
pitter-patter of the raindrops on the  
customers.

Suddenly, the light flared up again  
and a chorus of eight seductive looking  
laundresses stepped into the limelight  
singing that sentimental ballad "My  
Fodder is Poooor".

After the show, the Philippine  
premier of "The Rains Came" was shown.

A brief repast of Caribaburgers  
and a coconut-milk shake was served after  
the film. This brought to a close our  
evening of pleasure, and we waded through  
muck to stand in the rain waiting for  
the Buruombus.



## G.I. BRAIN POWER ON UPSWING

THE DEADEYE DISPATCH recently revealed that the average American soldier has progressed from a 6th grade education during World War I to a high school sophomore in World War II. Should the tragedy of another war befall us, a race of intellectual supermen may result. Here is a likely scene on a future battlefield, at the headquarters of the 960th Superarmorplated Division, (Dismounted).

**Superbrain:** Yes, and they yanked us out of ASTP after only two years at the university.

**Brain:** (Resignedly) But I suppose if we don't dig fox-holes, we'll be gobbled up by that death ray.

**Superbrain:** Nonsense! We're way out of range back here in the delayed detail of the base detachment of the rear echelon of division headquarters.

**Brain:** Maybe so, but a foxhole hides you from those enemy suicide robots. I hear that once the robot sees you, he tracks you down mercilessly. Then he pulls a metal plug out of his posterior and blows himself to bits. And those fragments are sharp!

**Superbrain:** (Disgustedly) Oh, defecation! Here comes the first sergeant.

**SARGE:** (Sarcastically) Well, well, if it aint the human encyclopedia. Got the

lead out and start digging, or I'll put you both on scullery detective. (And as an afterthought while leaving): And you know hat you can do with your fancy diplomas.

**Brain:** Diplomas indeed! Why, the guy's practically illiterate. He quit school in the 5th year of college with nothing but a PDQ degree.

**Superbrain:** Well, it's the Army's own fault for lowering their educational standards. All they require for enlistment now is 18 years of schooling.

**Brain:** Let them neglect their education. But mind you, I'm already taking courses from Accelerated USAFI and when this war is over, I'm going back to college for a 5 year brush up.

**Superbrain:** Why sure. You might even get your PHD degree and become a second lieutenant.

*There may be slight exaggerations in the story on this page, BUT ---*

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## KATIE FROM LEYTE

By-Knobel, Case, & Gastelox, 381st Inf.



With many girls I've mōssed around,  
But here on Leyte they don't abound.  
There's only one of whom we've heard,  
Who'd turn the G.I.'s blood to curd.  
It's KATIE from LEYTE, a flashy lassie,  
A dame with a strictly classy chassis.

From lips to hips she's quite a gal,  
The kind you'd call a Soldier's pal.  
And getting down to hips again,  
Those things for which I have a yen,  
She swings 'em high, she swings 'em low,  
It's murder brother-----better blow.

The G.I.'s eyes are all Star Spangled,  
From watching certain things she's dangled.  
Her lips - her hips - her "Come hither" eyes,  
Are the things for which man gladly dies.  
Of course it's only "Might have been"----  
But boy, what fun to dream of sin.

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## "MAC'S" RETURN

With a fox-hole for a bedroom  
and a tin can for a cup  
A cold stream for a bathtub where  
the dog-face freshens up  
Have some beer or see a movie? Why,  
We dont know what that means  
For we have long forgotten  
Luxuries; we're in the Philippines.

When I hit the terra firma of the  
good old USA  
I will think that I've reached Heaven  
and, I hope to hell I stay  
On that land of milk and honey  
where the world is at your feet  
Where life's not just existance, in that  
land you cannot beat

(by "Mac" McLollan, Co. "H", 382nd Inf.)

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## "NICE TO KNOW"

Though the world be in strife,  
And wars have no ends;  
There is all through life,  
Peace among friends.  
(by T/4 James E. Taylor, 381st Inf)

But at present it is a daydream  
and I waken with a start  
And I realize I'm in combat and  
I have to do my part  
So we all will fight together and  
we'll kill that dirty Jap.  
So the world will have its freedom  
When we wipe them off the map.

So I'll polish up my rifle and  
get my hand grenades  
To be ready for the bastards when  
they start those Banzai raids  
They have felt our strength and  
fury and they know now what it means  
When MacArthur gave his promise  
He'd return to the Philippines.

## CARABAO.

Slight Rustle!  
Darkness Deep  
Bang! Bang!  
Bully beef!